***Cub membership Mission:***

**The Cub Promise**

When you become a Cub you sign up for the ‘game‘ of Scouting. As with every game Scouting has its rules too.

In Scouting our ‘rules’ are our Law and Promise

*I promise to do my best*

*To do my duty to Goad and my Country*

*To keep the Law of the Wolf Cub Pack*

*And to do a good turn to somebody everyday*

Did you know that even the Old Wolves have to make and keep this Promise?

‘I promise’ means that you agree to do something and it becomes your responsibility to keep that Promise. Never make a Promise unless you mean to keep it. Always think carefully before making any promise and then do your best to keep those you do make.

Your Cub Promise is to do **YOUR BEST**. Do not worry if some people can do certain things better than you. What is important, is that you always try your best at everything you do.

**Duty to God**

We must appreciate and be thankful for all that we have. This means respecting and caring for one another as well as taking care of all the wonderful trees, birds, animals and flowers.

**Duty to Country**

This means that you agree to abide by the Laws of our Country and are a good citizen. At the moment that means staying safely at home.

**Helping other people**

A Cub does not only think of himself. He is always looking for ways to help others especially at home.

**Cub Law**

*The Cub gives in to the Old Wolf*

*The Cub does not give in to himself*

*The Cub gives into the Old Wolf* - A Cub is obedient to their Conscience, Parents, Teachers and Old Wolves.

**A stranger is not an Old Wolf**

*The Cub does not give in to himself -* Cubs keep trying when they learn something new, and finish the tasks they start to the best of their ability. Cubs also try their best to stay cheerful when things are difficult.

**The Cub Salute**

The salute is the special sign of Cubs.

It is a greeting to Akela and to all other Cubs.

You also use it when you make your Promise, at Grand Howl and Flag break

You always salute with your right hand, with your index finger touching the side of your head (temple)

**The Handshake**

In Africa, warriors once fought with spears and carried shields in their left hand.

If a warrior met a friend however, he would not need his shield for protection and would have his left hand free.

So if a man held out his left hand, it showed that he trusted you and wanted to be friendly.

Lord Baden-Powell once met an African Chief who held out his left hand in greeting, showing that he wanted to be friends. This impressed Baden –Powell and he chose this special handshake for Cubs and Scouts

**The Grand Howl**

In the jungle, on the night of the full moon all the wolves in the Pack creep into a circle around the Council Rock.

In the middle of the rock crouches their leader, Akela and the wolves throw up their heads and howl their welcome.

The Grand Howl is used to begin and end every Pack meeting. It is a greeting to Akela and says that every Cub will continue to do their best.

Are you ready to be invested?

**Complete the Mission challenges below in your own time.**

1. Take a photo of your Cub smile or draw a picture
2. What is the Cub motto?
3. Write a short prayer for our Pack Prayer book
4. Ask your parents or a sibling to read the Story of Mowglis Brothers (below is a shortened version) to you. This is the first story in Rudyard Kiplings book called ‘The Jungle Book’.
5. To show that you understand the Cub Promise, put it into practice and carry out a good turn at home. Send a photo and/ or a few lines about what you did.

Ask Mom or Dad to send your completed tasks to me via Whatsapp or email. You may send them in as you complete them or once you have finished all of them, it’s up to you…

Once this mission is completed you will be sent the details for *Mission Possible*…. And when we are able to resume Pack meetings we will set a date for your investiture ☺

Keep safe

# Akela

# Mowgli's Brothers

*This yarn tells how Mowgli came to the wolves as a baby boy, how Shere Khan the tiger became his enemy, how he was accepted into the Seeonee wolf pack, and how Baloo and Bagheera became his teachers.*

It was a warm summer night when Tabaqui, the jackal – the mean, sly, mischief-maker – crept to the cave of Mother and Father Wolf. "Shere Khan, the big one, has shifted his hunting grounds. He will hunt among these hills," he told them.

Father Wolf was upset because Shere Khan, the tiger, killed cattle and angered the villagers, bringing trouble to the jungle. As they listened they heard the angry, snarly whine of the tiger. "He is hunting man!" said Mother Wolf. "Listen! Something is coming!"

Father Wolf crouched – then halted in mid-spring. "Man!" he said, "a man's cub. Look!" His jaws closed gently over the little boy's back and he carried him into the cave and placed him amongst the other cubs. Then a dark shadow crossed the doorway.

"The man cub is mine, give him to me!" Shere Khan's roar filled the cave. But Mother Wolf and Father Wolf were not to be ordered around by somebody not from the pack. So Shere Khan slunk away.

"I will call him Mowgli (the Frog)" said Raksha, the Mother Wolf, "because his skin is smooth and without hair, like a frog's."

So Mowgli stayed with Raksha and Father Wolf and their own four cubs. When they were old enough to run a little, they set off on the night of the full moon, through the jungle to the Council Circle. There they found Akela sitting on the Council Rock with all the wolves in the pack gathered around. The cubs that had been born that month, and Mowgli, were in the centre of the circle, and all the wolves looked over these young cubs so that they would know them if they met in the Jungle.

Then Shere Khan roared from the trees, "What have the Free People to do with a man cub in the pack?" Akela, the pack leader, reminded the wolves that if there was an argument about a cub, two people would have to speak for him. So Baloo, the brown bear, stood up and said, "I will speak for the man cub."

Then a black shadow dropped from the trees. It was the mighty hunter, Bagheera, the panther. "I have a bull, newly killed, to pay for the man cub's life," he said. So Mowgli was allowed to stay. He learned the laws of the jungle from Baloo, and how to creep and stalk and hunt from Bagheera. That is how he was accepted as a member of the pack.